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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Donald P. Gregg  
National Security Council Staff Member  
SCC Counterintelligence Working Group

25X1 FROM: [REDACTED]  
Chairman

25X1 SUBJECT: Proposed National Clearance/Investigative  
Policy [REDACTED]

1. The 5 February 1980 meeting of the SCC Counterintelligence Working Group heard a report from my predecessor on the differing personnel security standards within the Intelligence Community. The SCC/CIWG then asked the DCI Security Committee to study the problem from a government-wide viewpoint and make recommendations for a national clearance/investigative standards policy. [REDACTED]

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2. Attached is a further analysis of these clearance differences within the Intelligence Community along with identification of factors bearing on the problem and some tentative suggestions for a solution. [REDACTED]

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3. There are enormous problems in this area and they will not easily be solved, aggressiveness and eagerness notwithstanding. The resource implications are particularly significant. So are the possibilities suggested such as a national policy sanctioning the broader use of polygraph which could have favorable impact on resource requirements.

4. In a series of meetings scheduled starting after Labor Day the Security Committee will systematically address the specific issues and problems involved. We will seek to

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determine what is needed in today's environment to make valid assessments of loyalty, character and trustworthiness. We will try to determine how best to obtain the necessary data, including the value of the polygraph. We will attempt to prepare cost/risk alternatives for SCC/CIWG consideration. ☐

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5. Any reactions you have from your vantage point would be most useful and appreciated, particularly if received before 10 September. I hope to give you by the end of September a target date for overall completion. ☐

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